

# Financial and Commercial

## REBOUND IN THE STOCK MARKET

Shorts Continued Their Sales Until Supporting Orders Drove Them to Cover.

USUAL REACTION FOLLOWED

CLOSE WAS WEAK AT BOTTOM PRICES.

New York, May 28.—The support which was at no time apparent in yesterday's stock market was offered today with the change in the complexion of the speculation as a consequence. It was a matter of course that, after so precipitate a fall in prices as occurred, there should be an extensive uncovered short interest in the market, as the professional operators in the board room invariably continue short sales up to the limits of a decline. They continued their sales in the early part of today's session and helped to force the level of prices in many stocks to below the lowest prices touched yesterday and to bring additions to the list of stocks selling lower than during the panic of March.

The demand which developed after support became effective from the uncovered short interest. One of the plainest indications of this was the close proportion of gathings today to losses of yesterday. Stocks which had been most acutely depressed yesterday rebounded with most apparent vigor today. Another significant sign of the character of the buying was the manner in which it subsided after the recovery level, where the profit to the bear was correspondingly diminished. It died out entirely at the close when the final release in prices caused so far as the market was concerned for the improvement in tone, the decline in the wheat market and the doubt raised over the continuance of the gold export movement were responsible.

Reports from the wheat belt of rising temperature were of the greater sentiment effect in Wall street than the emergence of the sun from the rain-soaked clouds which hung over the financial district yesterday. The fact seems not at all negligible in view of the grave weight attached to the weather conditions in the discussion of yesterday's glooming stock market. The effect of the selling to take profits in wheat yesterday in view of the unfavorable weather conditions was cloaked of the extent of the purely speculative buying which has put up the price of wheat. The weekly bulletin of the weather bureau, issued today, was not reassuring. Wheat, however, continued to decline.

The movement of the price of wheat served to soothe Wall street and to cause some of the crop scare reports. These continued in full tide today from the domestic crop reports. Foreign crop news was better, especially that from Russia, with evident effect upon the world's grain markets. The feature in the international exchange situation today was a recovery of one cent in the rate of sterling exchange at Paris. This leaves a doubtful whether more gold will be engaged here tomorrow to export to France or makes it certain that any engagement will be smaller than estimated yesterday. This change in conditions relieved the market from some of the depression caused by yesterday's estimate that the week's output of gold might reach four, or even five millions.

Discounts continued to advance today in London and were firm in Paris, and foreign exchange held firm here. The local money market was unaffected and for short time loans was slightly easier. For time loans for the longer periods, however, the offerings were extremely small. London and Berlin stock markets were depressed still, although the latter followed at Paris. The price of British consols fell back to the year's low of 84 1/2 and at 84 1/2, which is the lowest price touched in half a century. There was much discussion of the expected return of President Roosevelt's Decoration day speech at Indianapolis and the sentiment. The buying was not energetic at any time and it steadily subsided, so that the bears had no difficulty in forcing prices back in the last fifteen minutes of trading, some of the stocks falling to the lowest of the day. The close was distinctly weak.

Bonds were easy. Total sales, par value, \$1,810,000.

United States 2s registered declined 1/4 on call.

Stock Quotations.

Sales, High, Low, Close.				
Adams Exp.	6.000	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
Am. Copper	2.000	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
Am. C. & P.	2.000	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
Am. Cotton Oil	4.000	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Am. Express	...	...	...	...
Am. H. & L. pfd	...	...	...	...
American Ice	...	...	...	...
Am. Lin. Oil	...	...	...	...
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Am. Locomotive	2.000	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Am. S. & H.	1.000	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Am. Sug. Refg.	1.000	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Am. Tob. Co.	1.000	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
Ana. Min. Co.	11.000	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2
Atchafalaya	10.000	88 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
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At. C. Line	700	94 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2
B. & O. Ohio	6.000	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
B. R. Trans.	9.000	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Can. Pacific	10.000	168 1/2	168 1/2	168 1/2
C. & N. W.	2.000	120 1/2	120 1/2	120 1/2
C. & O. Ohio	2.000	120 1/2	120 1/2	120 1/2
C. G. Westn.	1.000	91 1/2	91 1/2	91 1/2
C. & N. W.	500	147 1/2	146 1/2	146 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	10.000	120 1/2	120 1/2	120 1/2
C. T. & N.	...	...	...	...
Preferred	...	...	...	...
C. C. & St. L.	2.000	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
C. F. & Iron	2.000	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Colo. & Southn.	1.000	22 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
First pfd	...	...	...	...
Second pfd	...	...	...	...
Con. Gas	2.500	110 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
Con. Products	1.000	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2
Del. & Hudson	3.000	167 1/2	161 1/2	161 1/2
D. L. & W.	1.000	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2
D. & R. G.	1.000	105 1/2	105 1/2	105 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Dis. Securities	1.000	63 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
Erie	9.000	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
First pfd	...	...	...	...
Second pfd	...	...	...	...
Gen. Electric	900	137 1/2	135 1/2	135 1/2
Ill. Central	1.000	111 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2
Int. Paper	700	111 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Int. Pump	...	...	...	...
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Iowa Central	...	...	...	...
Preferred	...	...	...	...
K. C. Southern	700	24 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
L. & N.ash	1.000	110 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2
Mex. Central	400	104 1/2	104 1/2	104 1/2
Minn. & St. L.	...	...	...	...
Minn.	...	...	...	...
St. M. P.	1.000	92 1/2	92 1/2	92 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Mo. Pacific	1.000	128 1/2	128 1/2	128 1/2
M. & T.	4.500	31 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Natl. Lead	1.000	59 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2
Natl. R. R. of	...	...	...	...
Mex. pfd	...	...	...	...
N. Y. Central	15.000	110 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2
N. Y. C. & W.	1.000	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Nor. & Westn.	700	71 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2

No. American	200	67	66	67
Pacific Mail	200	23	23	23
Pennsylvania	27.000	119 1/2	119 1/2	119 1/2
People's Gas	700	89	88 1/2	89
P. C. & St. L.	1.100	31 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Pul. Pal. Car	100	89	88	89
Reading	131.000	60 1/2	59 1/2	60 1/2
First pfd	...	...	...	...
Second pfd	...	...	...	...
Rock Island	1.500	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
St. L. & S. F.	...	...	...	...
Second pfd	...	...	...	...
St. L. & N. W.	...	...	...	...
Preferred	...	...	...	...
So. Pacific	14.200	75 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2
So. Railway	2.700	175 1/2	174 1/2	174 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
T. C. & Iron	4.000	55 1/2	53	55
T. & P. Pacific	...	...	...	...
T. St. L. & W.	...	...	...	...
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Union Pacific	113.000	134 1/2	133 1/2	133 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
U. S. Express	...	...	...	...
U. S. R.	...	...	...	...
U. S. Rubber	200	36 1/2	35	36
Preferred	...	...	...	...
U. S. Steel	1.500	109 1/2	108 1/2	108 1/2
U. S. Steel	4.300	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Va. Caro. Chem.	700	24 1/2	23 1/2	24
Wabash	200	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
West. E. Express	100	142	142	142
Westn. Union	900	80 1/2	80	80
W. & L. E.	100	10	10	10
W. & N. E.	100	10	10	10
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Nor. Pacific	9.100	122 1/2	120 1/2	121 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Int. Met.	2.000	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2
Preferred	...	...	...	...
Total sales for the day	656,700	...	...	...

### GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Chicago, May 28.—Sunshine, seasonable temperatures and much needed rain in the west softened the wheat market today, prices melting away to the extent of 2 1/2 cts. under the influence of the more favorable weather conditions. The market was weak all day, and at the close July was down 2 1/2 cts. September, 2 1/2 cts. and December 2 1/2 cts. July corn declined 1/2 ct. and July oats 1/2 ct. Provisions closed unchanged to 1/2 ct. lower.

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